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Post delivered reftel A to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. In response, Ambassador Yrjo Lansipuro, responsible for information technology issues at the Ministry, sent the following message.

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Thank you very much for your message, inviting our comments to NTIA's request for comments. I'm happy to inform you that during the first week of the Finnish presidency of the EU, a troika (Finland, Germany, Commission) meeting concerning internet governance issues in the post-WSIS situation will be held in Washington DC with high-level participation from both DOS and DOC. Finnish participants will be Ms. Kristiina Pietikainen from the Ministry of Transport and Communications, and myself. That meeting will no doubt discuss also the issues raised the RFC. I don't expect we will be able to present an EU answer to the seven questions included in the RFC, but at least this important meeting will be a step towards it.

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